

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, Claims 1-16 and 46-72 are pending in the application. Claims 17-45 have been cancelled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

The Examiner restriction the original Claims as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-16 and 46-72, drawn to a method for chemically tempering glass;

Group I, Species 1: dipping the formed glass article in a molten salt bath;

Group I, Species 2: spray coating the glass article by flame spraying;

Group I, Species 3: spray coating the glass article by electrostatic spraying;

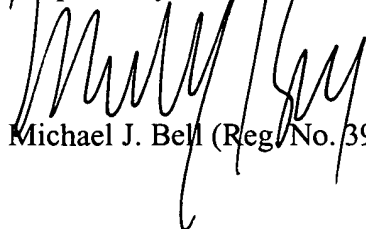
Group I, Species 4: spray coating the glass article by power spraying;

Group I, Species 5: coating the glass article by chemical vapor deposition; and

Group II: Claims 17-45, drawn to an immersion apparatus with work guides.

Applicant's elect, without traverse, to prosecute the claims of Group I, Claims 1-16 and 46-72, which are drawn to Group I, Species 1 (Claims 1-16, 46-49, 55-59 and 61-72) identified by the Examiner. The remaining claims are withdrawn at this time.

Respectfully submitted,



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